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SUBJECT: MINISTRY OF JUSTICE STATEMENT ON REMOVAL OF EXEMPTIONS FOR
U.S. MILITARY PERSONNEL

1. AP AND LOCAL NEWSPAPER TERCUMAN CARRIED REPORTS THAT
MINISTRY OF JUSTICE HAS ANNOUNCED INTER ALIA THAT ALL U.S.
MILITARY PERSONNEL IN TURKEY NOW COME UNDER JURISDICTION
OF TURKISH COURTS, INCLUDING THOSE PERSONNEL WHO COMMIT
OFFENSES WHILE ON DUTY. WE ARE AS YET UNABLE TO DETERMINE SOURCE
OF THIS STORY BUT BELIEVE PRESS REPORTS MAY BE ERRONEOUS
INTERPRETATIONS OF JUSTICE MINISTRY'S STATEMENT GIVEN
OVER RADIO ON JULY 30.

2. JULY 31 YENI ORTAM CARRIES QUOTE OF MINISTRY'S
STATEMENT WHICH APPEARS TO BE RESTATEMENT OF GOT POLICY
CONCERNING RESCINDING OF CERTAIN BILATERAL AGREEMENTS.
JUSTICE MINISTRY'S STATEMENT AS QUOTED YENI
ORTAM FOLLOWS: BEGIN QUOTE. UPON THE DECISION TAKEN BY
THE GOVERNMENT TO THE EFFECT THAT THE EXISTING BILATERAL
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AGREEMENTS WITH THE USA HAVE LOST THEIR LEGAL VALIDITY, OUR

MINISTRY HAS DECIDED TO NOTIFY THE PUBLIC PROSECUTORS OF
THE REPUBLIC OF THE FOLLOWING POINTS. END HAS BEEN PUT
TO THE IMPLEMENTATION OF TAX EXEMPTION AGREEMENT
ENDORSED BY LAW NO. 6426 DATED JUNE 30, 1954, AND THE
NATO STATUS OF FORCES AGREEMENT ENDORSED BY LAW NO.
6427 DATED JUNE 30, 1954. (COMMENT: NATO/SOFA
IMPLEMENTATION AGREEMENT.) HOWEVER, PUBLIC
PROSECUTORS OF THE REPUBLIC HAVE BEEN NOTIFIED THAT THE
NATO STATUS OF FORCES AGREEMENT PERTAINING TO NATO
ENDORSED BY LAW 6375 HAS BEEN LEFT IN FORCE. END QUOTE.
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